Chairperson: Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb Legislative Assistant: Lyn Moore (278-4280)

MEETING OF THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD TASK FORCE ON ECONOMIC STIMULUS

Thursday, March 26, 2009 – 1:00PM

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

- 1. Milwaukee County adopted policy on Economic Stimulus
- 2. Information from state and federal sources updating the committee
- 3. Information from departments and current efforts to identify, evaluate, and pursue economic stimulus funds.
- 4. Information needs of the Task Force members
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ADA accommodations requests should be filled with the Milwaukee County Office of Disabilities 278-3932 (voice) or 278-3937 (TDD) upon receipt of this notice.

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By Supervisors Jursik, Lipscomb, Sanfelippo, West, Borkowski, Thomas, Larson, I Dimitrijevic, Broderick, Holloway, Weishan, Schmitt, Johnson, De Bruin and Clark 2 3 **A RESOLUTION** 4 5 adopting Milwaukee County's policy in pursuit of stimulus funding from the American 6 Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the benefit of Milwaukee County citizens 7 8 WHEREAS, on February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American 9 Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the purpose of which is to create and save jobs, jumpstart 10 our economy, and build the foundation for long-term economic growth; and 11 12 WHEREAS, the Act includes measures to modernize the nation's infrastructure, 13 enhance America's energy independence, expand educational opportunities, increase 14 access to health care, provide tax relief, and protect those in greatest need; and 15 16 WHEREAS, the Act is commonly referred to as the Federal Stimulus Package 17 (hereafter referred to as "Stimulus"); and 18 19 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County is eligible to receive Stimulus funds in a variety of 20 categories; the application for and the spending of which is on a tight timeline in order to 21 expedite the national economic recovery; and 22 23 WHEREAS, in response to public comments by the County Executive that he would 24 not pursue Stimulus funding, the County Board of Supervisors on February 5, 2009, passed 25 a resolution (vote 17-1) to "support the pursuit of any Federal Economic Stimulus money that 26 may be made available to Milwaukee County for the betterment of our community and 27 citizenry (and) that all Milwaukee County officials shall make good faith efforts to identify 28 opportunities for public investment and cooperate with appropriators (Federal or State) so that 29 Federal Economic Stimulus funded projects can be identified and approved by policymakers;" 30 and 31 32 WHEREAS, on February 19, 2009, the County Board Chairman recommended the 33 creation of a Milwaukee County Task Force on Economic Stimulus ("Task Force") "to 34 determine how best to maximize the impact of the federal stimulus package in Milwaukee 35 County to best achieve a positive economic impact;" and 36 37 WHEREAS, the County Executive directed his Administration to not participate in the 38 Task Force but instead issued a directive that prior to any such request or application for 39 Stimulus monies, an analysis will be performed that ensures the following: 40 41

1. Requested granted funds will require no match by Milwaukee County

Milwaukee County

2. Requested grant funds will not require any long-term financial commitment by

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3. Expenditure of requested funds will not obligate Milwaukee County to future operating or maintenance expenses

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WHEREAS, despite the absence of representatives from the Administration, the Task Force has begun to meet on a regular basis to help identify areas and projects that may qualify for Stimulus funding so that initiatives are not culled solely by the County Executive's personal criteria for the acceptance of Stimulus funds; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force provides a forum for Supervisors and Administration to debate County obligations to accept funds, and provides transparency and oversight for the public on the process that will be used to determine how their tax dollars are being redistributed to our community for economic stimulus; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force sought legal advice through Corporation Counsel regarding the action of the County Executive in creating policy without County Board guidance and was advised that applying for Stimulus funding is a policy decision and that such policy may only be stated by the County Board and not the County Executive; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this resolution to state the policy under which the County staff shall execute application for such funding, and the departments under the County Executive must provide appropriate time and energy to complete applications for projects and to work with the Task Force; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the following statement shall be the policy of Milwaukee County with regard to economic Stimulus funding:

"The County shall apply for all available Stimulus funds in existing program areas eligible for funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (and any reauthorizations) as available to Milwaukee County inclusive of both competitive and formula funding. Staff from all County departments shall execute its charge under this policy, and it shall be strictly the right of the County Board to refuse to accept funding if the County Board determines that it is not in the interest of the County to accept the funding because of identified obligations within each project specification."

RECENT STIMULUS NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED FROM:

THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSWOMAN GWEN MOORE

TRANSPORTATION:	GENERAL	MITCHELL	INTERNATIONAL	AIRPORT
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03/19/2009

This grant is funded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

NOTICE TO CONGRESS OF DOT DISCRETIONARY GRANT AWARDS: This notification is provided to the Committee pursuant to one of the following requirements governing the public announcement of a Department of Transportation discretionary grant, letter of intent, or Federal Transit Administration full funding grant agreement:

- (1) Currently applicable General Provision of the Appropriations Act or Continuing Resolution governing Department of Transportation appropriations, containing a prohibition on the use of funds made available unless the Secretary notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriation at least three full business days before the Department or its operating administrations announces any discretionary grant award, letter of intent, or full funding grant agreement totaling at least \$500,000 from: (A) any discretionary grant program of FHWA; (B) FAA's AIP program; or (C) any discretionary FTA program other than the fixed guideway modernization program.
- (2) Section 159(b) of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR-21).
 - (3) Section 5334(k) of title 49, United States Code.

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Title: General Mitchell International: Construct Runway Safety Area - 01L/19R

Grant Amount: \$ 2,500,000.00

Description: Construct Runway Safety Area - 01L/19R

Congressional members affected: Gwen Moore

Senators affected: Russell Feingold, Herb Kohl

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

White House Notification

American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan

DOE Funding

Please be advised that this morning Vice President Joe Biden and Energy Secretary Steven Chu will announce plans to invest \$3.2 billion in energy efficiency and conservation projects in U.S. cities, counties, states, territories, and Native American tribes. The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant program, funded by President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, will provide formula grants for projects that reduce total energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency nationwide.

Below is the funding amount for state, city, and county governments in your state:

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State	Name	Level of Government	Allo	cation
WI	Wisconsin Total Sum City, County, and SEO Allocations	All	\$	37,157,700
WI	Wisconsin	State Energy Office	\$	11,743,000
WI	Appleton	City	\$	689,800
WI	Beloit	City	\$	157,500
WI	Brookfield	City	\$	191,600
WI	Eau Claire	City	\$	655,700
WI	Fond Du Lac	City	\$	187,500
WI	Franklin	City	\$	142,800
WI	Green Bay	City	\$	1,003,000
WI	Greenfield	City	\$	145,800
WI	Janesville	City	\$	618,500
WI	Kenosha	City	\$ \$	902,500
WI	La Crosse	City	\$	542,100
WI	Madison	City	\$	2,384,600
WI	Milwaukee	City	\$	5,839,100
WI	New Berlin	City	\$	166,400
WI	Oshkosh	City	\$	634,100
WI	Racine	City	\$	795,000
WI	Sheboygan	City	\$	209,300
WI	Waukesha	City	\$	657,400
WI	Wausau	City	\$	183,900
WI	Wauwatosa	City	\$ \$ \$	220,000
WI	West Allis	City	\$	576,200
WI	Brown	County	\$	612,000
WI	Dane	County	\$	2,267,000
WI	Marathon	County	\$	374,000
WI	Milwaukee	County	\$	732,400
WI	Outagamie	County	\$	492,300
WI	Racine	County	\$	457,500
WI -	Walworth	County	\$	420,700
WI	Washington	County	\$	524,400
WI	Waukesha	County	\$	2,217,900
WI	Winnebago	County	\$	413,700

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE : March 26, 2009

TO : Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Chair, Task Force on Economic Stimulus

FROM : County Board Chairman Lee Holloway

SUBJECT: Potential Recovery Act Programs for Milwaukee County

As a follow-up to your meeting with the Wisconsin Office of Recovery and Reinvestment, Mr. Alan Fish has forwarded a wide-ranging list of Recovery Act programs (formula and competitive) for which Milwaukee County *might* potentially qualify. The Office of Recovery and Reinvestment's support to Milwaukee County in this regard is appreciated.

I have assigned County Board Research Analyst Jennifer Collins to be the "point-person" to assist the Task Force and the Chairs of the Board's Standing Committees with our ongoing efforts to secure federal stimulus resources for Milwaukee County. Intergovernmental Relations will continue to support the stimulus efforts with our State and Federal contacts. I am also sharing this correspondence with the Director of the Department of Administrative Services and the Fiscal and Budget Administrator as the Administration's primary contacts on stimulus.

Ms. Collins has sorted this initial list from the Office of Recovery and Reinvestment into categories that align with our County Board Committee structures. Please take a moment to look through the attached list and highlight any programs you believe Milwaukee County should pursue. Due to the strict deadlines associated with many of these programs, Ms. Collins will follow up with you in two business days to discuss your interest in potential opportunities. She is available to provide any assistance you may need to coordinate the Board's efforts with the Administration and appropriate State and Federal agencies.

Lee Holloway Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

Attachment

cc: Supervisor Toni M. Clark, Chair, Economic and Community Development Committee Supervisor Elizabeth M. Coggs, Chair, Finance and Audit Committee Supervisor Peggy West, Chair, Health and Human Needs Committee Supervisor Jim "Luigi" Schmitt, Chair, Intergovernmental Relations Committee Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., Chair, Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee Supervisor Gerry Broderick, Chair, Parks, Energy and Environment Committee Supervisor Paul Cesarz, Chair, Personnel Committee Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chair, Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee Jennifer Collins, Research Analyst, County Board Cynthia Archer, Director, Department of Administrative Services Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator